

MARKET IRREGULAR
AND UNSETTLED.

Rather Small Volume of Business on the Stock Exchange.

SUGAR SHOWS A LOSS
OF THREE-QUARTERS.

CHANGES DIVIDED BETWEEN DECLINES AND ADVANCES.

Abolition of the Tariff Does Not Deter the Establishing of Sugar Factories in Oregon—Imports and Exports—Chicago General Markets—Western Live Stock Quotations—Silver and Lead Quiet.

New York, Sept. 8.—The stock market today was irregular and unsettled, on a very small volume of business, but became fairly active toward the close.

The good showing made by St. Paul in its annual report induced buying by London and the local traders, which resulted in an advance of $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1 per cent, of which $\frac{1}{8}$ was lost at the close. Burlington advanced $\frac{1}{8}$ at the opening, reacted $\frac{1}{4}$, recovered the loss and receded $\frac{1}{8}$, closing unchanged on the day.Rock Island gained $\frac{1}{8}$ and then, on rumors of a probable reduction in the dividend rate, declined $\frac{1}{4}$, closing $\frac{1}{8}$ above the lowest point touched.Northwestern lost $\frac{1}{8}$ at the active of the list, but sales thereof reached only 5,000 shares. It ranged in prices from 10.50 to 10.75, closing $\frac{1}{8}$ above the bottom figure, according to a loss of $\frac{1}{4}$ per cent, compared with the final sales of yesterday.

The trading in the rest of the list was as light as to be almost devoid of interest. The changes were in fractions and pretty evenly divided between declines and advances.

General Electric and Western Union were unchanged on the day.

The bond market has been firm throughout the day.

The local sales of stocks today were \$2,033 shares, including Atchison, 2,100; Sugar, \$290; Burlington, 4,000; Distillers, 7,000; Louisville & Nashville, 2,400; Reading, 2,300; Rock Island, 3,000; St. Paul, 6,000; Western Union, 1,800.

SUGAR FACTORIES FOR OREGON.
Portland, Ore., Sept. 8.—Several of the prominent citizens of Portland have formed a corporation with a capital stock of \$1,000,000 for the purpose of building one or more beet sugar factories in Oregon. S. G. Kern, recently of Germany, who is one of the incorporators, has since coming here, made extensive chemical examinations of the soil in different sections of the state with very satisfactory results. In Germany the best soil yields about 11 per cent of succharine matter; in California, 12 per cent; and in this state about 15 per cent, is claimed.IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.
New York, Sept. 8.—The exports from the port of New York for the week were: Gold, \$35,000; silver, \$908,500. The imports for the week were: Gold, \$17,000; silver, \$2,714; general merchandise, \$4,577,855; dry goods, \$1,012,000.NEW YORK GENERAL MARKETS.
New York, Sept. 8.—HOPS.—Dull; state common to choice, 10c; Pacific coast, 7c to 10c.

Wool.—Quiet; domestic fleece, 18c to 20c; milled, 20c to 22c.

CATTLE.—Quiet; Scotch, 20c to 22c; American, 18c to 20c.

PORK.—Quiet; lake, 14c; city, 15c; Western, 16c.

LARD.—Weak, domestic, 13c; foreign, 14c.

TIN.—Nominal; plates, 10c; spelter, 11c; no sales.

COFFEES.—Optical opened steady at unchanged prices; ruled dull but firm all the forenoon on small local buying and closed steady at 3 points advance. Sales, 6,700 bags, including September, 12,000; October, 10,000; March, 12,000.

SUGAR.—Raw, fair refining, 24c; centrifugal 96-test, 25c; sales, none. Refined, quiet but firm; No. 6, 11c; No. 7, 10c; No. 8, 9c; No. 9, 8c; No. 10, 7c; No. 11, 6c; No. 12, 5c; No. 13, 4c; No. 14, 3c; No. 15, 2c; No. 16, 1c; No. 17, 1c; No. 18, 1c; No. 19, 1c; No. 20, 1c; No. 21, 1c; No. 22, 1c; No. 23, 1c; No. 24, 1c; No. 25, 1c; No. 26, 1c; No. 27, 1c; No. 28, 1c; No. 29, 1c; No. 30, 1c; No. 31, 1c; No. 32, 1c; No. 33, 1c; No. 34, 1c; No. 35, 1c; No. 36, 1c; No. 37, 1c; No. 38, 1c; No. 39, 1c; No. 40, 1c; No. 41, 1c; No. 42, 1c; No. 43, 1c; No. 44, 1c; No. 45, 1c; No. 46, 1c; No. 47, 1c; No. 48, 1c; No. 49, 1c; No. 50, 1c; No. 51, 1c; No. 52, 1c; No. 53, 1c; No. 54, 1c; No. 55, 1c; No. 56, 1c; No. 57, 1c; No. 58, 1c; No. 59, 1c; No. 60, 1c; No. 61, 1c; No. 62, 1c; No. 63, 1c; No. 64, 1c; No. 65, 1c; No. 66, 1c; No. 67, 1c; No. 68, 1c; No. 69, 1c; No. 70, 1c; No. 71, 1c; No. 72, 1c; No. 73, 1c; No. 74, 1c; No. 75, 1c; No. 76, 1c; No. 77, 1c; No. 78, 1c; No. 79, 1c; No. 80, 1c; No. 81, 1c; No. 82, 1c; No. 83, 1c; No. 84, 1c; No. 85, 1c; No. 86, 1c; No. 87, 1c; 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